

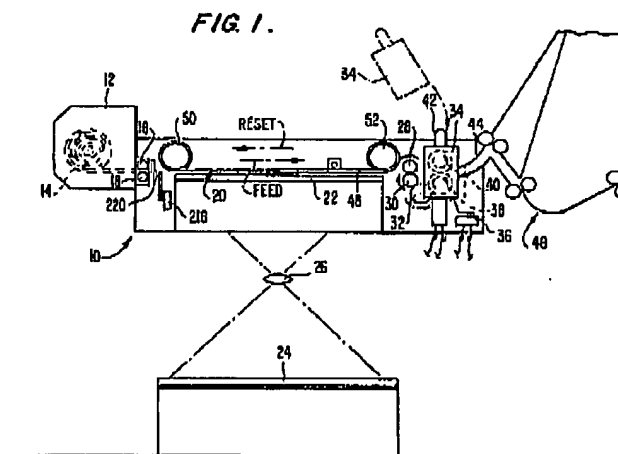
REMARKS

In response to the Office Action mailed September 8, 2005, the present application has been carefully reviewed and amended. Entry of the amendment and reconsideration of the application are respectfully requested.

Rejections under 35 USC §102*Claims 1 - 5*

Claims 1-5 stand rejected under 35 USC §102(b) as being anticipated by US patent 4,772,923 to Lein. The examiner asserts Lein "discloses a first and second lift assembly, first and second processors and sensors." [Paper 20050829, page 2]

Applicant respectfully submits Lein does not disclose the recited first and second lift assemblies, first and second processors and sensors. Lein is a vacuum feed for a camera system.



No portion of Lein has been identified to correspond to the recited first and second lift assemblies, first and second processors and sensors.

To more particularly point out the invention of Claim 1, the claim has been amended to recite in part "a first plurality of lift lines connected to the first drum... and a second plurality of lift lines connected to the second drum." As Lein does not disclose either of these limitations, Claims 1-4 are in condition for allowance.

Similarly, Claim 5 has been amended to recite in part, the first lift assembly "having a first plurality of lift lines" and the second lift assembly "having a second plurality of lift lines." As this structure is not disclosed in Lein, applicant respectfully submits this rejection has been overcome.

Claims 6 and 8-15

Claims 6 and 8-15 stand rejected under 35 USC §102(b) as being anticipated by US 6,634,622 to Hoffend. The examiner asserts Hoffend "discloses an elongate enclosure; a backbone; a coupler; a drum; a motor; a first head block and a first lift block." [Paper 20050829, page 2]

The present application claims priority to US patent 6,634,622. As each of the features cited by the examiner are disclosed in US 6,634,622, the rejection under 35 USC §102(b) cannot be sustained.

Claim 7

Claim 7 stands rejected under 35 USC §102(b) as being anticipated by US 4,802,787 to Bays. The examiner asserts Bays "discloses a lift system with first, second and master processor." [Paper 20050829, page 2]

Bays is a control system for a pavement breaker having a lifting means for raising and lowering an impact arm, wherein the impact arm

includes a tool for impacting a surface. There is no disclosure of a first lift assembly having a first rotatable drum and a first plurality of lift lines connected to the first drum and a second lift assembly have a second plurality of lift lines connected to the second drum. Therefore, the rejection of Claim 7 has been overcome.

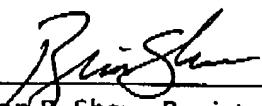
Newly added claims

Claims 16-19 are newly added and provide alternative configurations of the of invention.

All the pending claims, Claims 1-19, are in condition for allowance and such action is earnestly solicited. If, however, the examiner feels that any further issues remain, he is cordially invited to call the undersigned so that such matters can be promptly resolved.

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